FISCAL NOTE

HB 832

February 23, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes any county legislative body to impose a realty transfer tax not to exceed an unspecified rate on each sale of real property in the county upon the adoption of a resolution by two-thirds vote of the county legislative body.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact - Impact to local governments is dependent upon the number of adopted county resolutions and the rate of tax imposed on each transfer of property. To the extent 50% of all Tennessee counties adopt the necessary resolutions and impose realty transfer taxes at the established state rate, local government revenues could increase by \$90.0 million per year.

Assumptions:

- This bill provides local governments taxing authority on property transfers within their jurisdictions.
- Counties use state realty transfer tax rate of \$0.37 per \$100.00 (with a maximum of \$100,000).
- State realty transfer tax collections for FY2004 were approximately \$180.0 million.
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- To the extent 50% of all Tennessee counties adopt the necessary resolutions and impose realty transfer taxes at the established state rate, local government revenues could increase by \$90.0 million per year.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director